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CVPIA COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT AND MONITORING PROGRAM (CAMP)

Introduction

The Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVPIA) was enacted in October 1992. Section 3406(b) of the CVPIA directs the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to develop and implement a series of restoration programs and actions for fish and wildlife purposes. The Act specifies that these actions should ensure that by 2002 the natural production of anadromous fish in Central Valley streams will be sustainable, on a long-term basis, at levels not less than twice the average levels attained during 1967-1991.

The Anadromous Fish Restoration Program (AFRP) was initiated in response to Section 3406(b)1 of the CVPIA. AFRP established baseline production numbers on Central Valley rivers and streams for chinook salmon (all races), steelhead trout, striped bass, American shad, white sturgeon, and green sturgeon. These numbers were based upon monitoring information collected from 1967-1991. AFRP established fish production targets based upon the baseline fish production numbers. The fish production targets represent a doubling of the baseline (1967-1991) fish production numbers.

CVPIA Restoration Actions

Sections 3406(b)(1) through (b)(21) [exclusive of (b)(16)] of the CVPIA provided the means to meet the anadromous fish production targets. These sections of the Act specify a series of restoration actions that will be implemented over time throughout the Central Valley. All of the actions can be classified as either water management, structural modifications, habitat restoration or screening type actions. Figure 1 illustrates the types of actions that are currently planned for implementation.

Comprehensive Assessment and Monitoring Program

Section 3406(b)(16) of the Act specifies the development of a monitoring and assessment program that will evaluate the overall effectiveness of the implemented CVPIA actions. The "Comprehensive Assessment and Monitoring Program (CAMP)" has been developed for this purpose.

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CAMP is focused on meeting two distinct goals:

- Goal 1- assess the overall (cumulative) effectiveness of actions implemented pursuant to CVPIA Section 3406(b) by monitoring biological results and
- Goal 2-assess the relative effectiveness of categories of 3406(b) actions toward meeting Section 3406(b) biological goals.

CAMP is designed to be broad in scope and evaluate the general or systemwide results of CVPIA actions rather than the performance of specific actions.

The CAMP Conceptual Plan was released for public review and comment in 1995. The CAMP Implementation Plan built on and refined the information in the Conceptual Plan. This Plan is the final phase in the CAMP planning process before implementation in 1997 (See Figure 2).

CAMP Recommended Monitoring Programs

Progress toward meeting CAMP Goal 1 will be based upon measurement of increases in adult production of chinook salmon (all races), steelhead trout, striped bass, American shad, white sturgeon and green sturgeon. The CAMP Implementation Plan recommends a series of adult fish monitoring programs that will be used to calculate annual production estimates for each target species. Fish population trends will be developed by using the annual production numbers and comparing them to the 1967-1991 baseline production numbers. Because several generations of fish must be studied to get an accurate picture of their overall population status the monitoring program for Goal 1 will need to be long-term (25-50 years) and consistent. CAMP recommended adult monitoring programs are shown in Figure 3.

Evaluating the effectiveness of actions (Goal 2) in restoring anadromous fish populations is important for several reasons. Controversy currently surrounds the allocations of an increasing portion of California's water resources from current uses (such as agricultural, urban, municipal, industrial, and power generation uses) to anadromous fisheries needs. The use of flows to restore fish production is intensely debated among various water users and fisheries scientists because the relationship between flows and status of fish populations is not always clearly understood or documented. Additionally, the costs to agricultural and urban water users associated with increased flows are considered to be significantly greater than the costs associated with structural modification or fish screens. The role of water management modifications in achieving increases in fish production needs to be understood and documented to the degree possible . CAMP recommends that juvenile chinook salmon be monitored to determine what types of actions are working best to increase production. Juveniles chinook salmon were chosen because:

• they will only be exposed to the categories of actions occurring in their natal streams,

Juvenile Chinook Salmon Monitoring Recommendations and Categories of CVPIA Restoration Actions

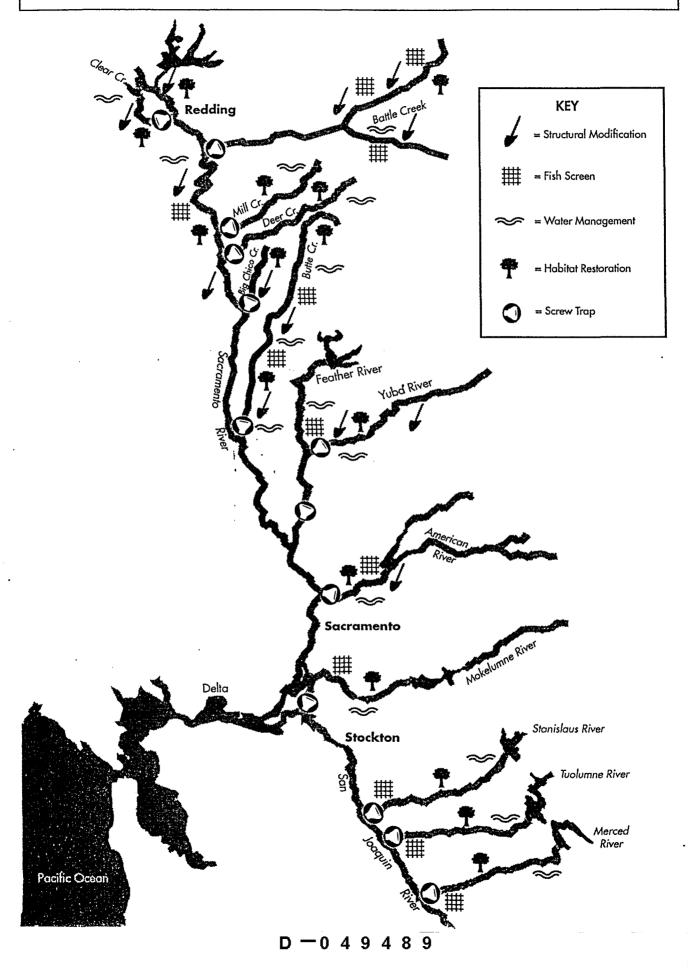
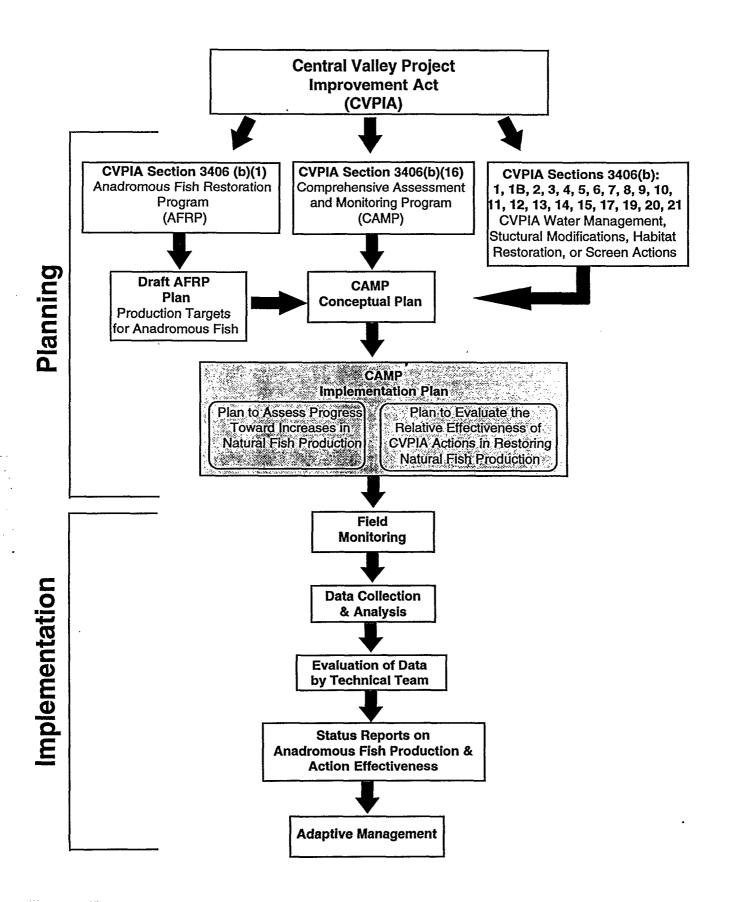
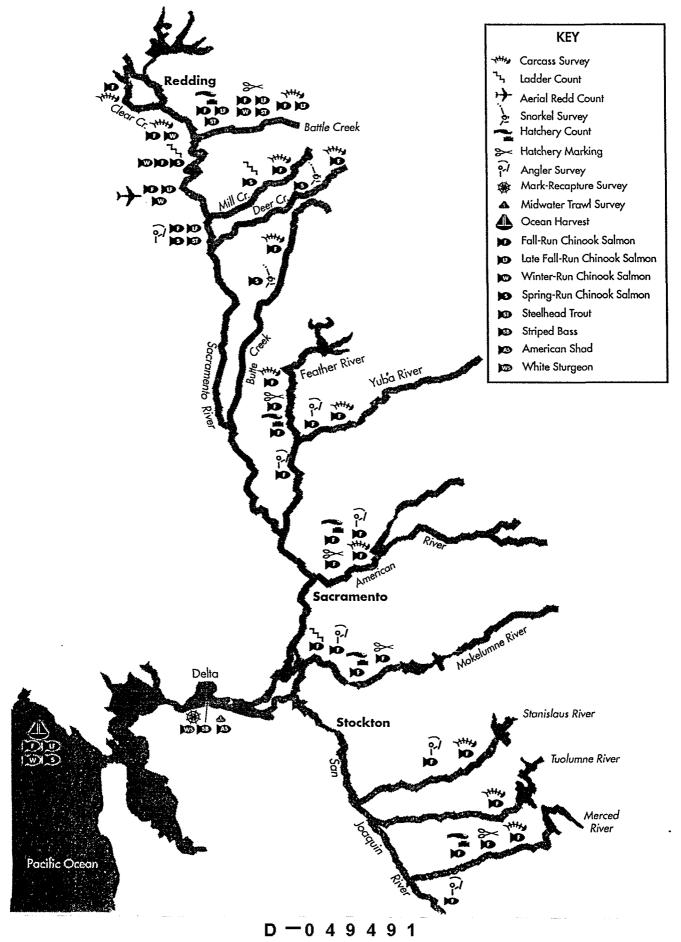


Figure 2. Comprehensive Assessment and Monitoring Program Development



Adult Monitoring Recommendations



- they are sufficiently abundant, and
- they are distributed widely throughout the Central Valley.

CAMP recommended juvenile monitoring programs are shown in Figure 1.

Data Management System Recommendations

Data collected from the recommended monitoring programs will be stored in the Interagency Ecological Program database. Public access to the summary data will be through a CAMP home-page on the Internet.

Camp Budget and Funding Requirements

Budget estimates and one and five year projected funding requirements for CAMP's adult and juvenile monitoring programs, data management system, and staffing needs are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. CAMP Budget and Funding Requirements

Project	Projected Cost					
	Total Budget (First Year)	Funding Reqs. ¹ (First Year)	Funding Reqs. ¹ (First 5 Years)			
Field Monitoring	\$4,685,323	\$2,343,272	\$9,167,961			
Data Management	\$ 129,272	\$129,272	\$621,365			
Total	\$4,814,595	\$2,472,544	\$9,789,326			

Funding requirements = CAMP Budget - Existing Funded Programs



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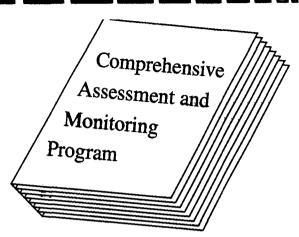
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Comprehensive Assessment and Monitoring Program (CAMP)

What is CAMP?



- Comprehensive Assessment and Monitoring Program
 - A comprehensive program to assess fish and wildlife restoration actions and programs of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVPIA) [Section 3406(b)(16)]

CAMP's Relationship to CVPIA

CVPIA Sections ·

Section 3401 Short Title

Section 3402 Purposes

Section 3403 Definitions

Section 3404 Contracting

Section 3405 Water Transfers

Section 3406 Fish, Wildlife and Habitat Restoration

Section 3407 Restoration Fund

Section 3408 Additional Authorities

Section 3409 Environmental Review

Section 3410 Authorization of

Appropriations

Section 3411 Compliance with State

WaterLaw

Section 3412 Extension of Tehama Colusa Service Area

Section 3406

(a) Amendments to CVP Authorizons.

(b) Fish and Wildlife Restoration Activities

- (c) San Joaques Rivers
- (d) Central Victoria
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- (f) Project Let Common a C
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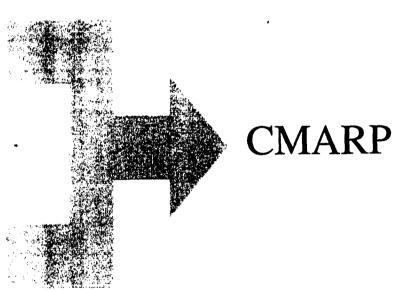
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- (3) Water Acquisition

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- included in CAMP

CMARP's Relationship to CALFED

Ecosystem Restoration
Water Use Efficiency
Levee Stability
Water Quality
Storage and Conveyance



Shared Objectives:

- clearly defined goals
- focused data collection
- standardized methods
- overall effectiveness of actions
- stakeholder participation
- basis for adaptive management
- defensible program

Differences:

CAMP

- focus on anadromous in fish restoration
- no research
- categories of actions

CMARP

- broad scope
- includes research
 - action specific

Implementation Plan Review

Stakeholders

- Bay Institute
- U.C. Berkeley
- CVPWA (Serge Birk & Jason Peltier)
- Contra Costa Water District
- Modesto Irrigation District
- Turlock Irrigation District
- Tehama Colusa Canal Authority
- East Bay Municipal Utility District
- MWD (Randy Bailey & Steve Hirsch)
- Sacramento River Preservation Trust
- John Williams Consultant



Assess <u>overall</u> (cumulative) effectiveness of actions taken under "Fish and Wildlife Restoration Activities" [CVPIA Section 3406(b)]

■ Goal 2

Assess <u>relative</u> effectiveness of major categories of actions to meet "Fish and Wildlife Restoration Activities" goals [CVPIA Section 3406(b)]

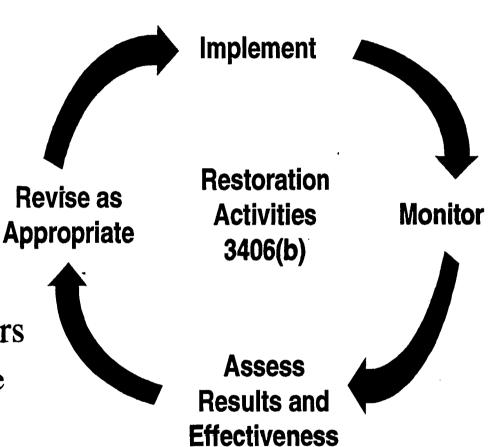
- → Water management modifications
- Structural modifications
- → Habitat restoration
- → Fish screens

Benefits

- Verifies success of the CVPIA fish restoration provisions
- Measures progress toward anadromous fish restoration goals
- Identifies most effective actions under 3406(b) that restore fish production in Central Valley
- Results in better use of resources
- Improves implementation of actions and programs for restoring fish and wildlife
- Identifies future research needs

CAMP Assessment Process

- Technical Committee
 - Composed of technical experts
 - Helps interpret data
 - Recommends program adjustments
- Project/Program Managers
 - Take action as appropriate



Adaptive Management Cycle

Achieving Goal 1

Goal

Assess <u>overall</u> (cumulative) effectiveness of actions taken under "Fish and Wildlife Restoration Activities" [CVPIA Section 3406(b)]

Method

- Monitor population estimates of the life stage on which doubling production goals were based:
 - —Species:
 - Chinook Salmon (all runs): monitor adults
 - → Steelhead Trout: monitor adults
 - → Striped Bass: monitor adults
 - → White Sturgeon: monitor adults
 - Green Sturgeon: estimate from white sturgeon
 - → American Shad: juvenile abundance index

Adult Recommendations

Species

American Shad
Striped Bass
White Sturgeon
Green Sturgeon
Steelhead Trout

Chinook Salmon

Monitoring Method

Midwater trawl survey

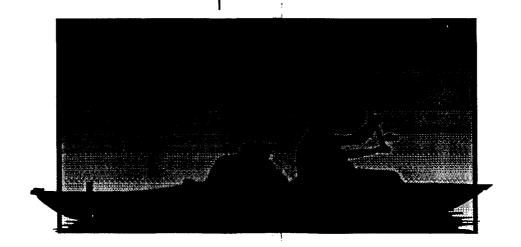
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Angler survey, hatchery counts, hatchery marking

Multiple methods



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Achieving Goal 2

Goal

- Assess <u>relative</u> effectiveness of major categories of actions to meet "Fish and Wildlife Restoration Activities" goals [CVPIA Section 3406(b)]
 - Water management modifications
 - Structural modifications
 - Habitat restoration
 - Fish screens

Method

- Monitor juvenile fish production for
 - Fall, winter, and spring-run chinook salmon

Selection of Outmigrating Juvenile Chinook Salmon

- Only Exposed To Action Categories Occurring in Their Natal Streams
- Widely Distributed Throughout Central Valley
- Sufficiently Abundant
- Existing Monitoring Programs for Juveniles and Adults

Recommended Juvenile Monitoring Method: Screw Traps

Rationale

- Currently in use
- Relatively broad application
- Cost-effective
- Targets juvenile outmigrants

Recommended Use

- Place screw trap near river mouth
- Standardize screw trap operation and sampling
- Conduct screw trap efficiency tests



- Data Compilation and Entry
- Data Coordination
- Data Accessibility



Adult Monitoring Data

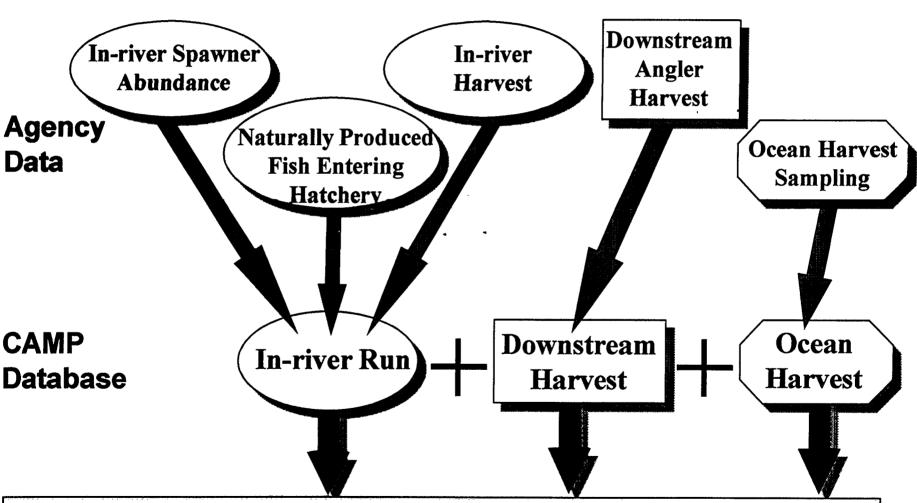
- Annual summary data
- Annual adult production estimates
 - Watershed-specific
 - System-wide

Juveniles

- Raw data
- Annual juvenile abundance estimate
 - Watershed-specific
- Supporting Data
 - Flow
 - Temperature
 - Other

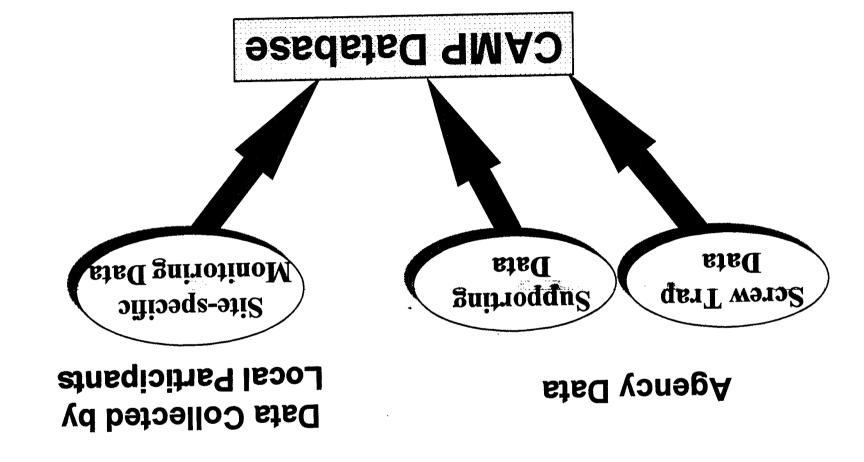
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Adult Data Coordination



Annual Adult Production for a Specific Watershed

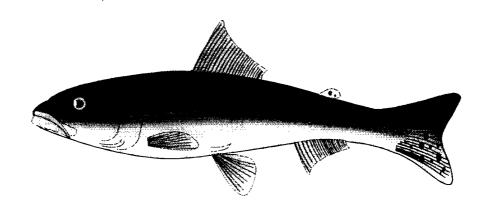
Juvenile Data Coordination



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- Internet CAMP Homepage
 - Interagency Ecological Program
- Adult Production Data
- Juvenile Abundance Data



Adult Data

Data Accessibility through the CAMP Homepage American River
Battle Creek
Butte Creek
Deer Creek
Mill Creek
Mokelumne River
Sacramento River
Stanislaus River
Yuba River
Systemwide

Select Watershed

Fall-Run Chinook Salmon
Late Fall-Run Chinook Salmon
Winter-Run Chinook Salmon
Spring-Run Chinook Salmon
Steelhead Trout
Striped Bass
American Shad
Green Sturgeon
White Sturgeon

Select Species/Race

Data Values and Production Lettmates

Year

1998

1999 2000

2001

Select Year or Trend for All Years

Data Table or Chart

Trend for

All Years

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Data Accessibility through the CAMP Homepage

Juvenile Data

American River

Battle Creek

Big Chico Creek

Butte Creek Clear Creek

Deer Creek

Actions

Screw Trap Data

Supporting Data

Feather Creek

Merced Creek

Mill Creek

Mokelumne River

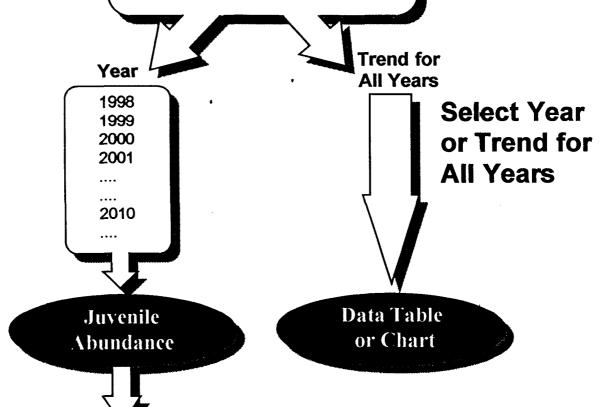
Sacramento River

Stanislaus River

Tuolumne River

Yuba River

Select Watershed



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Example of "Weight of Evaluation of Evidence" Evaluation

Effects of actions on juvenile abundance				Action	Natershed	
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CAMP Implementation Plan

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